

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Buxton, et al.

**Serial No.: 09/781,937**

**Confirmation No.: 1774**

**Filed: February 12, 2001**

For: NETWORK REVERSE AUCTION  
AND SPENDING ANALYSIS

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**Group Art Unit: 3628**

**Examiner: Borlinghaus, Jason M.**

**MAIL STOP Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

**Dear Sir:**

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

**37 CFR 1.8**

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July 6, 2005  
Date

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 6, 2005**

In response to the Office Action dated January 6, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response of April 6, 2005, and extended to July 6, 2005 by payment of a three month extension fee, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

A check in the amount of \$1020.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the fee for a three-month extension to extend the date of response to July 6, 2005. Although Applicants believe no additional fees are due in connection with this Amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to request additional payment for any such fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.